



Council on Children's Mental Health

February 13, 2020

1 -3 pm Central/ 2 -4 pm Eastern

Location

Honey Alexander Center

Attendees

1. Awad, Zaineab
2. Barlar, Julia
3. Bass, Justine
4. Binkley, Melissa
5. Breithaupt, Jeremy
6. Dick, Jan
7. Doggett, Amelia
8. Donaldson, Brenda
9. Eash, Anjanette
10. Etheridge, Stephanie
11. Fentress, Laritha
12. Finch, Victoria
13. Fortney, Krystal
14. Fett, Kaela
15. Flannery, Julie
16. Fyke-Vance, Kimberly
17. Graham, Ryan
18. Hargrow, Craig
19. Hayes, Benita
20. Hones, Laura
21. Jenkins, Raymond
22. Johnson, Cheryl
23. Johnson, Serveen
24. Jones, Jennifer
25. Jordan, Alisa
26. Karvonen, Amira
27. Kennedy, Richard
28. Kirby, Diana
29. LaPolt, Alisa
30. McGee, Melissa
31. McHaney-Taylor, Jasmine
32. Mortenson, Rob
33. Murphy, Jill
34. Nitzschke, Zack
35. Olson, Amy
36. Payne, Hope
37. Petty, Steve
38. Schmitt, Laura
39. Setty Reeve, Elizabeth
40. Smith, Julie
41. Spurlin, Garrett
42. Thomas-Wade, Brandy
43. Tyler, Dawartha
44. van Eys, Patti
45. Virgo, Keri
46. Voss, Will
47. Walker, Don
48. Webb, Natalie
49. Wilson, Tammy



10:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

- Richard Kennedy, Executive Director, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
- Justine Bass, Deputy Assistant Commissioner at TN Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Group announcements

Council on Children's Mental Health 's meeting date has changed to April 9th. We will be back in the Honey Alexander Center.

The Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth- Children's Advocacy Days (CAD) will take place at War Memorial on March 10-11th . The Eventbrite site is up and running for registration, please RSVP per person planning to attend.

TN CASA will host its annual conference on April 17. More information regarding this is on TNCASA.com

TN Voices for Children will now be known as TN Voices. The name change is to encompass all children, youth and young adults of all ages. It is the best way to capture the masses and the different experiences each child and youth faces through each stage in life.

April 11th will be the 20th Annual Purity Moosic City Dairy Pure Dash which will begin in the Metro Center area in Nashville, TN. There will be a 5/10/15 K run along with other fun family friendly events. The Lee Company/Glenn Wunder Mighty Mile will be beginning at 7am, the Dairy Dash 5K will begin at 7:30am and the 10K & regions/The Smitty 15k race will begin at 8am on Common Street. Please join us if you can.

Children's Mental Health Awareness is the week of May 4th, specific Children's Mental Health Awareness Day is May 7th.

10:35 a.m. State of the Child/Civic Engagement

- Richard Kennedy, Executive Director, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
 - Kennedy informed the group that the Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth is set for the Sunset hearing in the next few weeks. He stated that he is very optimistic with the renewal of the agency and is looking forward to providing data-based research and information to the state of Tennessee for many more years to come.
 - He also mentioned that the agency is taking a different approach to submitting policy briefs in the future. The agency is going to focus more on presenting data driven documentation regarding a large spectrum of issues that relate to a bill. This will provide the legislature an opportunity to have all of the data driven information in one spot in hopes to assist with the research process.

11:00 a.m. Young Adults/TDMHSAS

- Diane Kirby, Project Director of Healthy Transition, Office of Children, Youth and Young Adults, TDMHSAS
 - Healthy Transitions is a five-year grant awarded from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA). The first year has just finished and heading into the second year of grant services, with federal funding ending in 2024. The goal of Healthy Transitions is to assist youth and young adults from age 16-25 with a serious mental disturbance or serious mental illness or substance use disorder. Assistance is provided to help them transition from a child services to a young adult services. Some children leave services at different ages and the goal is to assist them with the transition process and maintain systems of care, without disruption, for them as long as they need. One HT team is in attendance, TN Voices, is well as a team with Mental Health Cooperative in Davidson County and Greene County with Frontier Health. Those service teams have the following components - care coordination, continuation of care, outreach support and education services.

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. Advocacy and Civic Engagement

- Rob Mortensen, President/CEO, Tennessee Hospitality & Tourism Association, and TCCY Commission Member
 - Mortensen provided education on the importance and specifics of advocacy and tips on becoming an advocate.

1:50 p.m. Second Look Commission

- Craig Hargrow, Esq., Deputy Executive Director, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
 - Hargrow provided an overview of the recent Second Look Commission.

2:00 p.m. Legislative Update

- Steve Petty, Youth Policy Advocates, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
 - Petty provided the Council with a brief update on the current legislative season.

Meeting Ended 2:10 p.m.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

2020 Council Meetings - Location: (TBD)

- Thursday, April 9th, 2020
- Thursday, June 18th, 2020
- Thursday, August 20th, 2020
- Thursday, October 15th, 2020

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